

THE NATIONAL CONVENTION.

Although the great convention at Chicago does not meet until the second day of June, the hotels of the city are already thronged with the advance guard of the immense host which will be on hand either as participants or spectators. The press dispatches are already largely made up of speculations as to what the outcome of the convention will be, and among the guesses are some that are of considerable interest. The Blaine men still claim that their favorite will be nominated, although they can give no reason for the faith that is in them except the hope and belief that a large number of delegates will violate their instructions and thereby give the prize to the man who is not the people's choice. It is a noticeable fact that the men who lay such large claims to respectability in politics—who are so remarkably good and pure that they shudder at the thought of being associated with the great man whom the whole civilized world has gone out of its way to honor—these incomparably honest men expect to succeed only by and through the dishonorable acts of a portion of the delegates to the national convention. Political virtue has, indeed, reached an exceedingly low standard, when men claim that they are accomplishing a good and worthy purpose by the use of means that are universally regarded as dishonorable and degrading. If Mr. Blaine is the choice of the Republicans of the United States let him be nominated fairly and he will be supported enthusiastically, but let us have no thimble-rigging about the matter.

The anti Grant journals are claiming that there is a majority of Blaine men on the national committee, and yet the Chicago Tribune is fearfully afraid that this same committee will pack the hall with Grant claquers, to the great detriment of the Blaine cause. It is also claimed by the partisans of the plumed knight that there is no possibility of Grant's nomination, and in the same breath they go on and say that if the convention refuses to admit the Illinois contestant the nomination of Grant will be an empty ceremony. When the whole matter is sifted it becomes apparent that the anti-Grant leaders have no hope of succeeding in their plans, and are only making an appearance of resistance now in order to make better terms with the victors. Everything points to the nomination of Gen. Grant, and after he is nominated the country will witness such an amount of enthusiasm in his behalf as was never before aroused in favor of any candidate.

The delegates from Champaign county to the state convention were selected in the interest of Blaine by a trick. It was only by an accident that two Grant men were put on. The other men more represented the wishes of this county in regard to presidential preferences than Bob Ingersoll would represent the religious element in the Methodist conference. Not having been instructed to vote for Blaine or any one else, they lacked the sand to vote against selecting the delegates for Grant. On that roll-call Champaign stands "aye" 2, no—blank. They opposed any vote in Champaign but assisted in the initial steps toward one at Springfield.—Champaign Gazette.

FROM THE QUAKER CITY.
E. J. Campbell of Philadelphia, under date of October 4, 1879, certified to the wonderful efficacy of Warner's Safe Pills and Safe Tonic in removing a liver disease accompanied by chronic constipation and yellow skin.
Sold by W. C. Armstrong, druggist.
May 27-d&w2c.

Consistency.
Pecora Journal.
When the Blaine men captured Kansas they insisted that the will of the majority should rule, and appointed none but Blaine delegates from that state. When they outnumbered their opponents at Chicago they insisted that they should have all the delegates. When they were outnumbered themselves at Springfield, they howled over the tyranny of the majority. Evidently what is sauce for the goose is not sauce for the gander in the Blaine programme.

An Old Man Restored to Health.
BATAVIA, N. Y., Sept. 15, 1879.
H. H. WARNER & Co., Rochester, N. Y.—GENTLEMEN:—Forty years I have suffered with Diabetes, being obliged to void urine as often as once in thirty minutes, and have also been a sufferer from palpitation of the heart. I am now using your Diabetes Cure, and can truly say, at seventy years of age, that it makes me feel like a new man.
Sold by W. C. Armstrong, druggist.
May 27-d&w2c.

Wanted!
All kinds of old furniture and household goods, in exchange for cash. Will pay more than any other house in the city. New furniture, glass and queensware at prices to defy competition. We have no pretensions to pay, and can give our customers the benefit of the same. Give me a call before either selling or buying elsewhere.
Housen,
East side City Park, old Revere House.
April 16-d&w

On or about June 1st the office of W. L. Dunant, with and consignment merchant, will be with D. S. Schellabarger & Co., at their mill.
23-d&w1w

GRANT.

Pecora Journal (Ind.)
A gentleman in this city has received a letter written by Edmunds, in which that gentleman takes strong grounds for Grant, and insists that he, Grant, must be nominated. Washburne does the same, and adds that under no circumstance would he take the nomination. It is a singular fact that every leader in the Republican party is for Grant, and that, too, without any reservation whatever. Now, what is the reason for this singular unanimity of feeling and sentiment? Have these men discovered some scheme of the confederate brigadiers under foot, and do they think there is no man able to stem the tide but Grant? There is something in the wind, or this state of affairs, has no one following him, on the contrary, has no one following him, but second rate men. His strongest opponent is in this State, and who are they? There is Charles Farwell, a poker player, a ward politician, a disappointed office-seeker, and a man without any moral purpose whatever. Next to him is Steve Harbut, a busy intermeddler, and a man without standing, at either home or abroad. He has an unconscionable and unappeasable thirst for office, and is a sort of a political jury sneak. Then there is Boss Hesing, a man stained with every kind of a job, and a convicted thief. Check by jowl with these is the whisky ring. They have all combined in the opposition. Their noise and clamor have induced a great many good men to think that they are the party of reform. They are no such thing. No reform is possible under Blaine. He has joined hands with, and is under the manipulation of Jay Gould, that prince of railroad rascals and leader of bond thieves. They have secured the co-operation of Joe Medill, whose glory it has ever been to be on the off side of every question and the pioneer of every reform hope. He waves every rag that comes out first, from a spelling reform to a new departure in politics. Blaine cares nothing for the people, not he. His ambition is to be president, and he is indifferent to the method by which he obtains the honor. His strongest adherent in this district is a man Grant kicked out of office, an act that the subsequent record of the man shows was the proper thing to do. This being the condition of affairs, we may expect to see Grant nominated at Chicago. The opposition to him is not so great and deep-seated, nor led by such influential as those that composed the Cleveland convention in 1864 and nominated Lincoln. And yet everybody now can see that the action of those men was a great mistake, and the election of Fremont would have been one of the greatest calamities that could have happened to the nation. We look to see the party bow to the will of its leaders, and finally accept Grant.

At last we are likely to have a settlement made of the disputes between meteorologists as to cyclones and their origin. Some of the late "windstorms" in the West are ascribed by Professor Tice to electricity, pure and simple, and a property owner in Wisconsin, whose house was insured against lightning, has brought suit to recover for its destruction in the great storm of 1878. The courts will thus be called upon to decide whether what we have heretofore thought was wind is in reality an electrical disturbance. Professor Tice, who has been making observations along the path of the recent Marshall field tornado, says there was "no wind, and that the damage done was all due to electricity. Some of his alleged observations are certainly very curious, such, for instance, as these: that while houses with metal roofs were damaged or destroyed, equally exposed houses with shingle roofs were left uninjured; that the damage on other houses was directly proportioned to the amount of exposed metal used in their construction; that the bark from trees was stripped all around them and the ends of branches were torn into ribbons, and most curious of all, that dead and dry limbs were left uninjured, while green branches in their immediate vicinity were shattered. It would really be entertaining to have Professor Tice and other meteorologists called as experts in the Wisconsin insurance cases.

Excursion Rates on the Central.
To those wishing to attend the National Republican and Greenback conventions, to be held at Chicago, June 24 and 25th, respectively, the I. C. R. R. will sell excursion tickets, Decatur to Chicago and return, at \$6.80 for the round trip. For the Republican convention (June 24) sale of tickets will begin May 30 and continue until June 1st, inclusive. Tickets will be good to return until June 5th, inclusive. For the Greenback convention (June 25) sale of tickets will begin June 7th and continue until June 8th, inclusive, and will be good to return until June 12th, inclusive.

To those wishing to attend the Soldiers' Reunion at Milwaukee, June 7th to 12th, inclusive, the I. C. R. R. will sell excursion tickets, Decatur to Freeport and return, at \$3.25 for the round trip. Sale of tickets will begin June 6th and continue until June 7th, inclusive, and be good to return until June 15th, inclusive. The fare for the round trip from Freeport to Milwaukee and return will be \$3.55, making the fare from Decatur to Milwaukee and return, \$11.89.
O. O. Johnson, Agent
May 24-d&w

Six-Button Kid Gloves
In opera shade, perfect in every respect, at 75 cents a pair.
May 26-d&w1w
More \$1.25 Chromes, and a great variety of other Pictures and Picture Frames, at J. M. Storker & Co's.
April 14-d&w1w

TELEGRAPHIC CHICAGO.

GATHERING OF THE HOSTS.

Farwell's Farce.
TOLEDO, May 27.—Wheat \$1.17 cash; \$1.01½ July. Corn 41½ cents cash and May.

CHICAGO, May 26.—The hotels are filling up, delegates are arriving by every train, the streets are showing evidences of the approaching event, and things are putting on a livelier appearance all around. The hotel restaurants and club rooms are thronged and nothing is talked of but politics. The question, "Well, what do you think of it, anyhow?" has been put and answered a thousand times by a thousand different persons during the past twenty-four hours. The Grant men answer the question very cheerfully and very emphatically, but the opposition men say they can tell better how the thing stands after the convention is held. There has been an army of men and women engaged at the Exposition building to-day, decorating the grand amphitheater and putting on the finishing touches. It will be one of the finest halls a convention ever sat in, both as regards capacity and acoustics. Tests have been made frequently, and it is claimed that a loud whisper can be heard throughout the amphitheater. The arrangements for the transmission of the dispatch announcing the nomination of Gen Grant for the presidency are perfect. The whole world will know of the boom in less than ten minutes after the result is announced in the convention. The Western Union Telegraph Company will have forty of their best men and eight receivers in the building, and the American Union will have twenty men. There will be at least four quadruplex and four duplex wires connecting the convention hall with the principal cities throughout the country. The Palmer and Grand Pacific hotels are the centers of attraction for politicians at present, while a few of the leading ones are making their headquarters at the Tremont and Sherman.

To-night the soreheads held two indignation meetings, one at the Central Music Hall and the other at Farwell Hall. Harbut was the principal speaker at the latter place, and Anthony at the former. The attendance at both meetings was very large at the beginning, but thinned out early in the evening. The city is so full of strangers that anything in the shape of a free show will draw well now. The meetings were composed of people who went more through curiosity than anything else. The Tribune to-morrow will spread itself on them, but between now and Wednesday next the Grant men will throw those of to-night completely in the shade. A good joke on the Tribune was made public to-day. That paper has been making a fight on the unit rule in Illinois ever since the Convention at Springfield. It has held that the Congressional districts in this State which sent Blaine delegates to the Springfield Convention were entitled to representation on the National delegation. On the morning of April 24 last a dispatch from Topeka, Kan., was published in the Tribune, the substance of which was that the Grant men in Kansas insisted that the delegation from that State should not be instructed to vote as a unit for Blaine, for the reason that the Second and Third Congressional Districts had sent Grant men to the State Convention, and that under the call of the National Convention each Congressional district is entitled to select two delegates and two alternates, and that a ruling to that effect was made at Cincinnati four years ago. The Tribune, in commenting on this editorially, delivered itself on the following piece of wisdom: "There is a prospect of something of a row over the action of the Kansas Convention in choosing a solid Blaine delegation to Chicago. The Grant men, enraged at the failure in Kansas of the game successsfully played in New York and Pennsylvania, threaten to send up contesting delegations from some of the Congressional districts, and claim their admission as a matter of right, though it is well settled that a National Convention has no jurisdiction over the mode of selecting delegates which a State Convention may adopt. The second choice of the Kansas delegation is Grant, and the third choice Washburne, while Sherman has not a friend in the entire West." This from the Tribune is as good a thing as the Grant men of Illinois ask for. They say that are glad the Tribune understands the question to be well settled, for it saves them a great deal of talking. Senators Logan and Cameron were in consultation to-day with a number of the leading Grant men. There is not a doubt on the minds of any of the Grant men as to the result. The latest table gives Grant 384, Blaine 212, Sherman 81, Washburne 8, Edmunds 26, Windom 10, doubtful 34. In this table Blaine gets 2 votes in Kentucky, 6 in New York and 8 in Pennsylvania, notwithstanding that all these States have instructed for Grant. On the other hand, every delegate instructed for Blaine, Washburne, Edmunds or Sherman are credited to them. It is a table where all the doubtful votes are taken away from Grant, and still he has more than enough to nominate him on the first ballot. The Grant men conceded the Committee on Credentials and Permanent Organization to the opposition, but are in a position, however,

where they can adopt minority reports all day long.

QUINCY, ILL., May 26.—Our city was startled this morning to hear that Colonel Charles H. Morton, one of the most popular and prominent citizens had shot himself at his home. Last Summer Colonel Morton was sunstruck, and since that time he has not always been himself. Recently he sold out his real estate and insurance business, in intending to go to Colorado, his physicians having told him that he must not stay here during the Summer. This morning when called for breakfast he was discovered in his bed dead, with a hole in his right temple and the pistol still in his hand. Mrs. Morton and servant were in the house, but neither heard the report. He leaves a wife but no children. His death and its manner has cast a gloom over city, for he was a man of generous noble impulses. With all the public trusts he has held not a stain attaches to any act of his.

LINCOLN, ILL., May 26.—The republican convention for the thirteenth congressional district, which met here yesterday, has just adjourned, after going through one of the most exciting and protracted balloting contests on record. The candidates balloted for were Baner, of Mason county; Donahue, of DeWitt, Smith, of Tazewell, and Funk, of McLean. The balloting began at 8 o'clock this morning, after taking 121 ineffectual ballots. This morning ten more ballots were taken, the 131st resulting in the nomination of Hon. D. C. Smith, of Pekin, Tazewell county. Mr. Smith is a native of Germany, is a banker, and was a member of the legislature in 1876-7. The convention nominated ex-Senator Cusey, of McLean county, for member of the state board of equalization, by acclamation.

Special Notice.
Purchasers in search of elegant goods at reasonable prices, should not fail to examine our stock of
HOSIERY,
CORSETS,
PARASOLS.
May 25-d&w1w
CHEAP STORE.

E. B. PRATT has extended the time for buying horses until June 4th, and wants to see all the good ones that are for sale, at 37 North Church-st., Decatur, Ill.
May 25-d&w1w

Our spring stock was never excelled either in quantity, quality or price, and we invite your patronage on the basis of the best goods for the least money. Come and see us if you want your shoes to fit
27-d&w1w
BARBER & BAKER.

Opera Block Bakery and Restaurant.
G. Lagerbusch has opened a first-class bakery, confectionery and restaurant, in J. G. Shea's store room, one door south of the entrance to the opera house, on North Water street. He will always keep on sale a fresh stock of bread, cakes, pies, and confections, and will serve meals at all hours. A share of the public patronage is respectfully solicited.
May 25-d&w1w

We Give Away
Any one article off our nickel counter to every purchaser of 50c worth of goods, and any one article off our 10c counter to every purchaser of a dollar's worth of goods.
May 25-d&w1w
CHEAP STORE.

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The ILLINOIS MIDLAND RAILWAY
WILL RUN AN
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Connecting with the STEAMER
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Which will make a trip to
COXS FERRY,
During the afternoon.

This will give every one an opportunity to spend a pleasant day either on the River, or in viewing the beautiful city of Terre Haute.
Excursion train leaves Decatur 7 a. m., returning train leaves Terre Haute 6:30 p. m. Fare for the round trip, including Steamboat Ticket,
May 25-d&w1w
\$1.50.

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Mammoth Stores,
COURT HOUSE BLOCK.
Feb. 5-d&w1w

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F. L. HAYS & CO.
May 25-d&w1w

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May 25, 1892-d&w1w

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March 19-d&w1w

For Sale.
Two second-hand show cases. Enquire of Close, Griswold & Co
May 10-d&w1w

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Men's gauze shirts, 25c.
20-d&w1w
CHEAP STORE.

Ladies' night dresses, chemises, drawers and skirts, at very low prices.
June 27-d&w1w
LINN & SCRUGGS.

Wanted.
Within 15 days, a house of four rooms. Am willing to pay three or six months' rent in advance. Call on, or address, D. C. Kennedy, corner Cerro Gordo and N. Water streets, up stairs.
May 24-d&w1w

Early Breakfast cooking stove given in exchange for anything that it takes for housekeeping at Ashby & Shoddy
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May 10-d&w1w

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